

REMARKS

The Advisory Action dated January 28, 2010 refused to enter applicants' claims submitted with their January 15, 2010 response to the final office action dated October 16, 2009. Pursuant to a telephone conversation with Examiner Stockton on February 17, 2010, applicants agreed to cancel claims 13-40 (claims directed to methods of using the compounds of the instant disclosure). Applicants reserve the right to pursue the cancelled subject matter in the future.

In addition to the amendments to the claims described in applicants' January 15, 2010 response, applicants have made some additional editorial amendments to claims 1, 7, 9, 12, and 42 with this response. The additional editorial amendments were suggested by the examiner during the telephone conversation on February 17, 2010.

In claims 1, 7 and 9, applicants amended the definitions of R¹ and R² to clarify that "H" and "halogen" cannot be "substituted." The examiner was concerned that the claim language as previously written might be interpreted to allow substitution of "H" and "halogen." Therefore, in the definition of R¹, applicants added the word "and" after "H" and the phrase "substituted or unsubstituted" before the following series of substituents. This clarifies that "H" is not "substituted" but each substituent in the series following "H" can be "substituted or unsubstituted." In the definition of R², applicants added the word "and" after "halogen" and the phrase "substituted or unsubstituted" before the following series of substituents. This clarifies that "H" and "halogen" are not "substituted" but each substituent in the series following "halogen" can be "substituted or unsubstituted."

In claim 1, applicants removed an improper dash that appeared between "-SH" and "acyl" at the end of the definition of R¹.

In claim 12, applicants replaced the term "including" with the more standard term "comprising."

In new claim 42, applicants corrected the misspelled word "pyrrolidin" to read "pyrrolidin."

Examiner Stockton indicated that cancellation of claims 13-40 and the minor editorial changes to claims 1, 7, 9, 12, and 42 described above should place the application in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, consideration and allowance are respectfully solicited.

In the event the Examiner believes an interview might serve in any way to advance the prosecution of this application, the undersigned is available at the telephone number noted below.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 14090-00003-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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